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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **LECTURE EXPLORES HOW RACE RELATIONSHIPS AFFECT WOMEN'S HISTORY**

#### **MISSOULA --**

Renowned historian Anne Firor Scott, W. K. Boyd Professor of History emerita at Duke University, will examine comparative histories of black and white women in America at the next installment of the President's Lecture Series at The University of Montana.

Scott will present "One History or Two? Black and White Women in American History" at 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 30, in the University Theatre.

"A look at the patterns of black-white relationships from the earliest European settlements, as well as those of the present day, helps us to understand why the histories women of different races see are so different," Scott said.

Scott will present a faculty seminar titled "The Historian's Dilemma: Whom Should We Remember?" from 3:10 to 4:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 31, in Gallagher Building Room 123.

A leading authority on the history of women in America, Scott has written and edited several books, including "Making the Invisible Woman Visible," "Natural Allies: Women's Associations in American History" and "Unheard Voices." She received her doctorate from Radcliffe College in 1958, joined the faculty of Duke University in 1961 and chaired the university's history department from 1980 to 1985.

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Throughout her long career, Scott has worked to preserve the history of women in America and to further causes important to women. During 1964-69 she served on the President's Advisory Council on the Status of Women. From 1972 to 1975 she was president of the Organization of American Historians and during 1988-89 served as president of the Southern Historical Association. In 2002 Scott received the Distinguished Service Award from the Organization of American Historians.

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